

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)
U.S. Application No. 09/445,963

REMARKS

New claims 12 and 13 are added. Basis is self-explanatory in the specification; see also the RESPONSE of September 22, 2003 at page 5.

Applicants would like to thank the interview which the Examiner granted (telephonic) on October 15, 2003. Kajiwara and Jichlinski were discussed. Applicants presented no arguments regarding the prior art in detail, rather, simply that Kajiwara and Jichlinski did not provide the motivation for one of ordinary skill in the art to reach the present invention. The Examiner did question as to whether the amount of 5-ALA material of the present invention was the same for detecting and treating, and Applicants counselor indicated this would be checked.

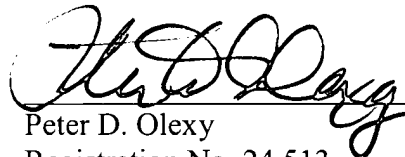
Applicants questioned the Examiner as to whether this application would be in condition for allowance or if any further type of claim amendments would be necessary to place this application in condition for allowance, and the Examiner indicated that the Examiner would have to check with the Examiner's supervisor, and this could not be before October 20, 2003.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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